IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL BAIL APPLICATION NO.245 OF 2005

Virji Ganesh Patel ...Applicant

Versus

The State of Maharashtra ...Respondent

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Mr.D.S.Manerkar for Applicant.

Mr.K.V.Saste, A.P.P. for Respondent.

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CORAM: A.M.KHANWILKAR, J.

JANUARY 28, 2005.

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1. Heard Counsel for the parties. As there is material to indicate the complicity of the Applicant and as the Applicant has been identified by the eye-witnesses and specific role has been ascribed in the commission of the offence, not a case for bail, no reason to depart from the conclusion reached by the Sessions Court. Rejected.

2. The Trial Court is, however, directed to expedite the case and dispose of the trial preferably within nine months from the date of receipt of writ of this Court. If the Trial Court is of the opinion that custody of co-accused cannot be secured, it may pass appropriate orders for separating the trial of the present Applicant and proceed in accordance with law.

3. Application disposed of accordingly.

A.M.KHANWILKAR, J.